PUBLIC NOTICE

State of South Carolina (SC)
Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)
Bureau of Air Quality (BAQ)
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF A PART 70 AIR QUALITY (TITLE V OPERATING) RENEWAL PERMIT

A. O. SMITH WATER PRODUCTS COMPANY
25589 U. S. HIGHWAY 1
MCBEE, SOUTH CAROLINA
(CHESTERFIELD COUNTY / REGION 4 - FLORENCE EQC OFFICE)
AIR PERMIT NO. TV-0660-0023

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), Bureau of Air Quality, has received a Part 70 Operating Permit Renewal Application from this facility and has drafted an operating permit that will allow the facility to continue to operate as a major source under the requirements of SC DHEC Regulation 61-62.70 "Title V Operating Permit Program." This permit will enable the facility to comply with applicable State and Federal Air Quality Regulations and the requirements of the Title V Operating Permit Program for the State of South Carolina. The draft permit had not yet been approved and is open to comment from the public, affected states and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). If approved, this draft permit will supersede the existing Title V Operating Permit issued to this facility on February 23, 2001.

Interested persons may review the draft permit, engineering calculation sheets, and other materials maintained and used by DHEC in preparing this permit, and submit written comments (including the permit number and facility name), by April 29, 2006, to the attention of: Mr. Timothy Fitzgerald, Ph.D., P.E. at the above DHEC address. All comments received by April 29, 2006 will be considered when making a final decision regarding the draft permit. Where there is significant amount of public interest, DHEC may hold a public hearing to receive additional written and oral comments. Requests for a public hearing should be made in writing to the attention of Ms. Donna Moye at the above DHEC address or by e-mail at: moyedd@dhec.sc.gov. If a public hearing is requested and held, notice will be given in this publication thirty (30) days in advance. Request for contested case hearings may be filed after a final decision has been made. Information regarding contested case hearing is available from the Office of General Counsel at the above DHEC address or by calling (803) 898-3350.

Information relative to the draft permit will be made available for review through April 29, 2006 at the DHEC Columbia Office listed above or at the following location:

SC DHEC, Region 4 – Florence EQC Office, 145 East Cheves Street, Florence, SC 29506 at (864) 661-4825

The BAQ maintains a mailing list of persons who have chosen counties in which they are interested in receiving notification of any future public notice and public hearing actions by the BAQ. If you would like to be added to this mailing list, please submit a written request with your name, address, and counties of interest to the attention of Ms. Donna Moye at the above DHEC address or e-mail. Additional information on permit decisions and hearing procedures is available by contacting DHEC at the above address or telephone number. Copies of a draft permit or other related documents must be requested in writing. There is a \$.25 per page charge to copy these documents. Please bring this notice to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.